Amendment No. 9 to SB0585

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AMEND Senate Bill No. 585*

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by adding the following language as a new section immediately preceding the last section, and by renumbering the last section accordingly:

SECTION ____. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 3, Chapter 6, Part 1, is amended by adding the following language as new sections:

Section 3-6-115.

(a) Every lobbyist shall, on or before July 31 and January 31, file with the registry an expense statement covering the preceding reporting period. The disclosure shall be on a form designed by the registry of election finance and be signed, under the penalty for making false statements provided in § 39-16-702, by the lobbyist.

The report shall contain a good faith estimate of all expenditures made by the lobbyist involving expenses that are directly attributable to members of the legislative or executive branch or the immediate family of members of the legislative or executive branch, including direct communications with members of the legislative or executive branch to influence legislative or administrative action as this term is defined in § 3-6-102(11).

Such amounts shall be reported as an aggregate within each of the following categories:

- (1) transportation and lodging;
- (2) food and beverages;
- (3) entertainment;
- (4) gifts, other than awards and mementos;
- (5) awards and mementos;
- (6) expenditures made for the attendance of members of the legislative or executive branch at political fund-raisers or charity events; and

- (7) any other miscellaneous expenditures.
- (b) Such report shall be posted on the web site of the registry of election finance.
 Section 3-6-116.
- (a) Each lobbyist shall obtain, organize and preserve all accounts, bills, receipts, books, papers and other documents necessary to substantiate the expense statement required to be filed pursuant to § 3-6-115 for three (3) years after the date of filing the expense statement.
- (b) If a lobbyist fails to timely file a complete expense statement required pursuant to § 3-6-115, the registry may suspend the privilege of any lobbyist to lobby. Upon failure of a lobbyist to file the required expense statement, the registry shall mail written notices to the lobbyist informing the lobbyist that unless the lobbyist files the delinquent statement within ten (10) business days after the date of mailing of the notices, such lobbyist shall not lobby. The privilege of any lobbyist to lobby on behalf of the employer of a lobbyist shall be restored immediately upon filing the delinquent statement. The notices shall be sent by certified mail to the last-known addresses of the lobbyist. Any lobbyist who is aggrieved by a suspension of lobbying privileges under this subsection may request a hearing under the uniform administrative procedures act, codified in Tennessee Code Annotated, title 4, chapter 5, regarding the suspension.